

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM," 2,363 tons Captain H. D. Jones.
 "POWAN," 2,338 " " W. A. Valentine.
 "FATSHAN," 2,260 " " R. D. Thomas.
 "KINSHAN," 1,995 " " J. J. Lossius.
 "HEUNGSHAN," 1,998 " " R. D. Thomas.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted), 9 P.M. (Saturday excepted).
 Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. (Sunday excepted).
 These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "SUI-AN," 1,651 tons Captain E. H. Grainger.
 "SUI-TAI," 1,651 " " G. F. Morrison.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 8 A.M. from DOUGLAS WHARF and at 1 P.M. from the COMPANY'S WHARF.
 On Sundays Special Cheap Excursions leaving Hongkong at 9 A.M. from DOUGLAS WHARF and from Macao at 5 P.M.
 The Company also runs a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 8 A.M. and from Hongkong at 1 P.M. from the Company's wharf.
 Departures from Macao to Hongkong on week days at 8 A.M. and 1 P.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 2,191 tons Captain T. Hamlin.
 Departures from Macao to Canton on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 7.30 A.M.
 Departures from Canton to Macao on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 588 tons Captain J. Willox.
 "NANNING," 569 " " Mackinnon.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—
 HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,
 Hotel Munson, (First Floor) opposite the Hongkong Hotel,
 and BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
 Hongkong, 25th February, 1907.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.
REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE
BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer.	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJIPANAS	JAVA	First half March	JAPAN	First half March
TJIBODAS	JAPAN	First half March	JAVA PORTS	First half March
TJILIWONG	JAVA	Second half March	JAPAN	Second half March
TJIMAH	JAPAN	First half April	JAVA PORTS	First half April
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	First half April	JAVA PORTS	Second half April

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

THE HEAD AGENCY

OF THE JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

Telephone No. 375,
 YORK BUILDINGS, 1st Floor.
 Hongkong, 16th February, 1907.

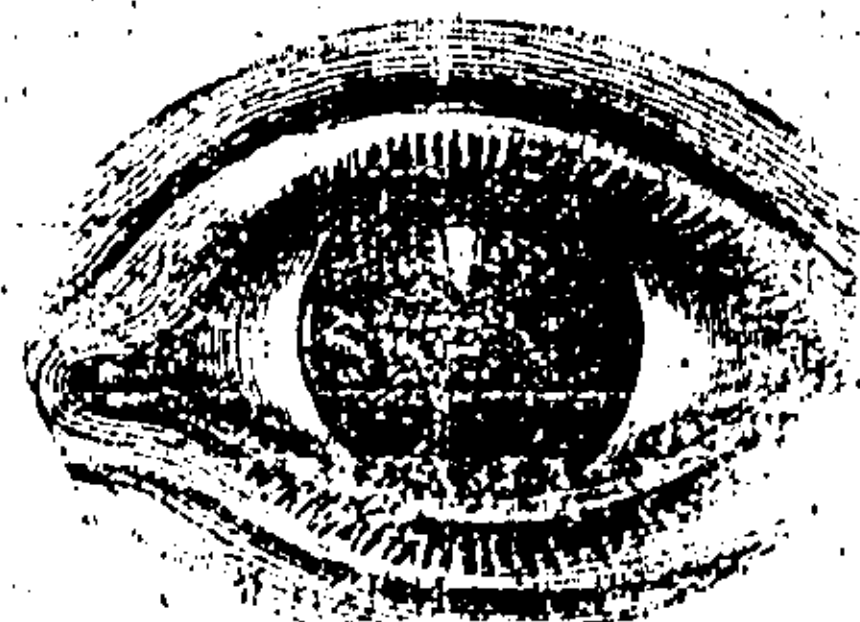
WEST RIVER BRITISH STEAMSHIP CO.

HONGKONG-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SAN-UI."
 SAILING TWICE A WEEK. THE ROUND TRIP OCCUPIES 5 1/2 DAYS.
 THE steamers sail from HONGKONG to SAMSHUI, SHUIHING, TAKHING and WUCHOW. They pass through the Canton delta, and steam up about 150 miles through the gorges, and beautiful scenery of the West River.
 Fare for the Round Trip \$30
 These steamers have Excellent Saloon Accommodation, and are lighted by Electricity.
 For further information, apply to—
 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 AGENTS,
 WEST RIVER BRITISH S.S. CO.,
 HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1906.

EYES



RIGHT!

N. LAZARUS, OPHTHALMIC OPTICIAN,
 3, PEDDER STREET, HONGKONG

WILL test your eyes free of charge, and if they are wrong will put them right.

Lenses Ground. All kinds of Repairs. Spectacles for all requirements.
 Ask, or write, for Illustrated Booklet on "Defective Sight"—free.
 LONDON, CALCUTTA, SHANGHAI,
 21, John Street, Bedford Row, W.C. 59, Bentinck Street. 566, Nanking Road
 Hongkong, 27th November, 1905.

Dentistry.

Dr. M. H. CHAUN,
 THE LATEST METHOD
 of the
 AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY
 37, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.
 From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
 Hongkong, 22nd July, 1905.

TSIN TING.
 LATEST METHODS OF DENTISTRY.
 STUDIO AT NO. 14, D'AGUIAR STREET.
 REASONABLE FEES.
 Consultation Free.
 Hongkong, 20th July, 1904.

Halls.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

EUROPEAN LINE.

STEAM FOR
 SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUET, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
 ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG;
 PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO
 LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND
 SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.
 Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers
 and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
PRINCESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY, 13th March.
PRINZ LUDWIG	WEDNESDAY, 27th March.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 27th March.
ZISTEN	WEDNESDAY, 10th April.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY, 24th April.
PRINZ BITEL FRIDRICH	WEDNESDAY, 8th May.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 22nd May.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 5th June.
SCHARNHORST	WEDNESDAY, 19th June.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 3rd July.

*First-class accommodation being engaged by H. M. THE KING OF SIAM, second-class passengers only, will be accepted.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of March, 1907, at Noon, the Steamship PRINCESS ALICE, Captain Ch. 'olacky, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 11th March, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 12th March, and Parcel will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 12th March.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Luggage can be washed on board.

Passage Money payable in local currency at current sight Bank rate of exchange on the day of payment.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NAPLES, GENOA & GIBRALTAR	£61. 0. 0.	£42. 0. 0.	£22. 0. 0.
Return	91. 0. 0.	63. 0. 0.	33. 0. 0.
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN and HAMBURG	65. 0. 0.	44. 0. 0.	24. 0. 0.
Return	97. 0. 0.	66. 0. 0.	36. 0. 0.
* TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ:			
VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR	64. 0. 0.	44. 0. 0.	26. 0. 0.
Return	115. 0. 0.	79. 0. 0.	47. 0. 0.
VIA BREMEN OR SOUTHAMPTON	68. 0. 0.	46. 0. 0.	27. 0. 0.
Return	123. 0. 0.	83. 0. 0.	49. 0. 0.

* In the event of the passenger leaving the Vail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar and travelling to Bremen or Southampton overland THE SAME RATES TO BE APPLIED AS VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's expense.

TOUR VIA INDIA:

Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co. from SINGAPORE TO CALCUTTA, instead of an Imperial Mail steamer from Singapore to Colombo. The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is however not included.

Interruption of the Voyage in Egypt:

Passengers to Europe and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean Steamers from Alexandria to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer from Port Said.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE,
VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR MANILA, FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, SIMPSONSHAFEN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to alteration.)

STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	3,227	SATURDAY, 2nd March.
PRINZ SIGISMUND	3,302	THURSDAY, 28th March.
MANILA	1,790	SATURDAY, 20th April.

ON SATURDAY, the 2nd day of March, 1907, at Noon, the Steamship PRINZ WALDEMAR, Captain van Senden, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, (Ready to load on Wednesday, the 27th February), will leave this port as above.

The steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Luggage can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class	1st Class	2nd Class
TO MANILA	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	Return \$80.00	\$50.00
TO NEW GUINEA	£28.-	£18.00	£14.00	Return £42.00	£27.15
TO BRISBANE	£30.-	£20.-	£14.-	Return £54.-	£36.-
TO SYDNEY	£33.-	£23.-	£15.-	Return £59.10	£41.10
TO MELBOURNE	£34.10	£24.10	£16.-	Return £62.5	£44.5
TO YOKOHAMA	\$80.00	\$60.00	\$40.00	Return \$120.00	\$80.00
TO KOBE	\$95.00	\$70.00	\$50.00	Return \$140.00	\$95.00
TO YOKOHAMA & back from KOBE to HONGKONG	\$140.00	\$100.00			

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND COLOMBO by Imperial Mail Steamer	£97. 0. 0.
TO EUR. P. VIA AUSTRALIA AND AMERICA	96. 0. 0.

From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the C. P. R. Co's steamers, or via San Francisco by the O. G. S. Co's Steamers, and from New York to Europe by the magnificent express steamers of N. D. L.

SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN SERVICE.

For STEAMERS ABOUT
 SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA } ZISTEN WEDNESDAY, 13th Mar.

TRANS-PACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG.

VIA VANCOUVER OR SAN FRANCISCO TO NEW YORK by the C. P. R. Co's steamers, P. M. S. S. Co., O. & O. S. S. Co., T. K. K. and from NEW YORK to EUROPE by the magnificent Express steamers of the Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following rates:

	1st Class
TO LONDON VIA "PLYMOUTH" & SOUTHAMPTON	£62. 0. 0.
TO BREMEN	65. 10. 0.
TO PARIS VIA CHERBOURG	67. 0. 0.
TO NAPLES, GENOA VIA GIBRALTAR	65. 0. 0.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

for further Particulars apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1907.

Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of entrance, top 60.5 ft.; bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work, and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Tugboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

Telephone: Nos. 378, 508, or 681.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. B. C. 4th and 5th Ed.

Lieber, Scotts, A. L. and Watkins.

Yokohama, May 23rd, 1905.

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The Wisdom of the East Demands the best the West can give.

Hong Kong Agents for
Watson's Dundee Whisky (No. 10)
 Watkins, Ltd., Apothecaries Hall, Hong Kong.

D. NOMA, TATTOOER.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

THE Public are informed that my Parlours are open from 9 A.M. all day. My 32 years' experience in TATTOOING is a guarantee of good work and prompt execution. My Colours are absolutely fast and perfectly harmless, and produce a charming effect not attained by any other as their composition is only known to me. H. R. H. The Duke of York, and H. R. H. The Emperor of Russia, both honoured me with their patronage; besides many others of High Rank. Prices Moderate and satisfaction guaranteed as attested by 3,700 Recommendations which I have received from all sources.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1904.

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HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.	
7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m.	Every 30 minutes.
7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Every 10 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.
 8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.	
8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	Every 20 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.
 SATURDAYS.
 Extra cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, Des Voeux Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
 Liquidators.
 Hongkong, 27th August, 1906.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.
 Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery. Materials can be supplied, if required.
 The Superiores will also be most grateful for any PATCHES or OLD ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.
 Hongkong, 22nd April, 1907.

THE HONGKONG STUDIO.

HIGHER CLASS PHOTOGRAPHER,
 41 & 43, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
 TOP FLOOR.

PORTRAITS, GROUPS and ENLARGING and COPYING in all Sizes.

LARGE SELECTION OF VIEWS ALWAYS ON HAND.

PRICE VERY MODERATE.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1904.

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

LI KWONG LOONG & CO.,
 司公限有李

CABINET-MAKERS AND ART DECORATORS,
 from Shanghai, has re-opened their FURNITURE STORE

at
 No. 39, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

The only Shop in Hongkong with this name.

WHERE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE of every description can be made to order in any design required.

Have been patronised by the Hongkong Club, Hongkong Hotel, Telegraph Co., Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Firms and other leading Establishments in the Colony, to whom reference may be made as to the Superior Workmanship and Materials of the Furniture, &c., supplied.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. write as follows:—
 "We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI KWONG LOONG furnished the Annex to our Dispensary and gave us every satisfaction."

(Sd.) A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

ORDERS punctually attended to, and CHARGES most moderate.

AN INSPECTION INVITED.
 Hongkong, 1st February, 1907.

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Intimation.

Powell's

ALEXANDRA
BUILDINGS.CABINET
MAKERS.BED-ROOM
SUITES.DRAWING-
ROOM
SUITES.DINING-ROOM
SUITES.LIBRARY
FURNITURE.Section Bookcases.
Writing Desks.
Writing Cabinets.
Library Tables.
Hanging Bookcases.

FURNITURE

Suitable for Presents.

Fancy Tables.
Ladies' Work Tables,
(fitted).
Smokers' Cabinets.
Spirit Cabinets.
Card Tables.
Palm Stands.

&c., &c., &c.

Residences completely
Furnished.Wm. POWELL,
LTD.,

Alexandra Buildings,

HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1907.

Intimations.

Messrs. K. A. J. CHO-
TIRMALL & Co.,64, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
LATE No. 8, D'AGUIAR STREET.

A FRESH CONSIGNMENT OF

GRASS CLOTH,

AND

A VARIETY OF

LADIES' EMBROIDERED
DRESSES.

ALSO

AN ASSORTMENT OF

MALTESE SILK LACE and
COLLARS, &c.

INDIAN RUGS.

AND ALSO

A VARIETY OF

SILKS.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1907.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

INFORMATION has been received from
the Military Authorities that GUN
PRACTICE will be carried out as under:-

On SATURDAY, the 2nd March:-

From Stonecutters, in a Westerly direction,
at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing
at 9.30 A.M. and finishing at 12 Noon
From Lyemun and Devil's Peak, in a
North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to
10,000 yards, commencing at 2 P.M.,
and finishing at 5 P.M.

On MONDAY, the 4th March:-

From Lyemun S. D., in a North-Westerly
direction, at ranges up to 7,000 yards,
commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at
9.30 P.M.

On TUESDAY, the 5th March:-

From Albany Battery and Stonecutters, in a
Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000
yards, commencing at 7 P.M., and
finishing at 9.30 P.M.

On WEDNESDAY, the 6th March:-

From Stonecutters, in a Westerly direction,
at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing
at 9.30 A.M. and finishing at 12.30 P.M.

On FRIDAY, the 8th March:-

From Stonecutters Central, in a Westerly
direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards,
commencing at 10.30 A.M., and finishing
at 12 noon.

On MONDAY, the 11th March:-

From Kowloon West and North Point, in a
Westerly and Northerly direction, at
ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing
at 9 A.M., and finishing at 1 P.M.

On TUESDAY, the 12th March:-

From Lyemun S. D., in a North-Easterly
direction, at ranges up to 7,000 yards,
commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at
9.30 P.M.

On WEDNESDAY, the 13th March:-

From Albion, in a Westerly direction, at
ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing
at 7 P.M., and finishing at 9.30 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 14th March:-

From Stonecutters Central, in a Westerly
direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards,
commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at
9.30 P.M.If the weather is unfavourable on any of the
above dates, Practice will take place on the
following day.All ships, junks and other vessels are to
keep clear of the ranges.

CHARLES WM. BECKWITH,

Lieut. R.N.,

Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department,

Hongkong, 28th February, 1907.

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,
LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic feet of
COLD STORAGE available at EAST POINT.
Stores will be open at A.M. and 4 P.M.
daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver
perishable goods.WM. PARLANE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1905.

A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY.

This is the age of reason and experiment, when
all nature is to be explored, and the secrets of
the human mind are to be unlocked. Science
has led man to the stars, and he is now
beginning to understand the forces that govern
the universe. It is only by the application of
reason and experiment that we can hope to
discover the secrets of life and death.

THERAPION.

This preparation is undoubtedly one of the most
valuable and reliable that has ever been intro-
duced, and has, we understand, been used in the
Continental Hospitals by Lieut. Koster, Lieut.
Vogel, Lieut. von der Goltz, Lieut. von der
Lippe, and Lieut. von der Manteuffel, and is
now being used by the British Army in the
South African War.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.

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valuable and reliable that has ever been intro-
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Entertainments.

SCOTTISH MASONIC QUADRILLE
ASSOCIATION.THE FIFTH AND REGALIA DANCE
will be held in the CITY HALL on
TUESDAY, the 7th of March. Dispensation
to Wear Regalia for ENGLISH and SCOTCH
Masons has been received from the Dist.
Grand Masters. No invitations to this dance
will be issued after the Fifth Day of March.
A Launch will leave the Star Ferry Wharf at
2 A.M. to convey Kowloon residents back.

JOHN J. BLAKE,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1907.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions
to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

on

SATURDAY,

the 2nd March, 1907, at 2.30 P.M., at their
Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road,
corner of Ice House Street,

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

JAPANESE CURIOUS,

Comprising:-

OLD SATSUMA VASES, INCENSE
BURNERS, WALL PLATES, GOLD and
SILVER CLOISONNE WARE, TEA SETS,
LACQUERED WARE, SILK-EMBROID-
ERIES, OLD BRONZES, WALL HANG-
INGS, KAKEMONOS, IVORY ORNA-
MENTS, &c., &c., &c.

A quantity of CARVED IVORY FIGURES.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:-As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1907.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

At the Undersigned's Sales Room,

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1907.

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1907.

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A FIRST CLASS PILSENER BEER
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PRICE \$6.50 per case of 48 bottles (quarts)

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REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905.

EMIGRATION TO THE UNITED STATES.

OPINION OF THE NEW AMERICAN BILL.

The news of the passage through the Wash-
ington Senate of the new Immigration Bill is
creating something of a panic among the Ja-
panese emigration companies. A Tokyo mes-
sage states that the greater portion of the Ja-
panese labourers proceeding to Hawaii have in
view an ultimate transmigration to the United
States. If their entrance into America from
Hawaii is prohibited, all the Japanese la-
bourners proceeding to the Pacific Islands
will naturally have to remain there, result-
ing in a flooding of the labour-market with a
consequent decline in wages. There can be no
doubt that the emigration of Japanese la-
bourners to Hawaii will be checked by this
latest legislation, which will more seriously
affect the practical interests of the Japanese
than the San Francisco schools question. The
emigration companies, regarding the present
situation as being a question of life or death
for them, held a meeting on Monday after-
noon, and agreed to inquire at the Foreign
Office as to the actual state of affairs in
America, and then consider the course to be
taken, doing their utmost to direct public
opinion against the legislation adopted in the
United States.We learn from the *Osaka Mainichi* that the
emigration companies have repeatedly inquired
at the Foreign Office as to the labour ques-
tion in the United States, but the authorities
have been reticent. The emigration com-
panies were merely informed that the number
of Japanese proceeding to Hawaii, which had
been restricted to 1,000 a month from last
month (up to December the number was 2,000),
would be gradually increased upon the solution
of the San Francisco schools question. The
dispatch adds that when the Bill just adopted
by the U.S. Senate once becomes law, even if
the restriction placed by the Japanese Govern-
ment on the number of emigrants to Hawaii is
removed, the immigrants will never be so
numerous as they were before, and the matter
will eventually have to be taken up by the
Diet.—*Japan Chronicle*.

CLAIM AGAINST "M.A.P."

DELIBERATE ADVICE.

A GRAVE BREACH OF DUTY.

An action of considerable importance to
investors seeking the assistance of financial
experts writing for the Press was heard in the
King's Bench Division, when Mr. Kinard
Baghot de la Bere, a retired farmer, of South
Lawn, Bishop's Cleeve, sought to recover
from Messrs. C. Arthur Pearson, Ltd., as pro-
prietors and publishers of "M.A.P." £1,470 for
damages for alleged negligence. Defendants
denied negligence.Mr. Spencer Bowyer, K.C., explained that
the readers of "M.A.P." were invited to send
in request for advice on financial matters to
the City Editor of the paper, and plaintiff wrote
to the City Editor, Mr. Hugh Horniman, ask-
ing to give him the name of a good stock-
broker. Mr. Horniman handed the plaintiff a
letter to a Mr. Thompson, who carried on
business at 16 and 17, Royal Exchange and
he recommended some investments to the
plaintiff, who sent him £1,470.He had never received a penny back, while
he had incurred £70 in cost. This money he
sought to recover from the defendants. Thomp-
son had been a bankrupt twice and was still
undischarged. Mr. Hugh Horniman told the
Court that for years prior to March, 1905, he
was Financial Editor of "M. A. P." He got
Thompson to do the work and thought he was
sound financially.Mr. McCall, K.C., for the defendants, con-
tended that although they authorised Mr.
Horniman to reply to questions they did not
authorise him to delegate that power.The Lord Chief Justice remarked that it was
quite clear that there was a breach of duty
here, and a grave one. He would reserve his
judgment until next week.

STAGE REALISM IN PARIS.

THEATRE WHERE ONE PAYS FOR PAINFUL
IMPRESSIONS.

Paris, 16th January.

A play produced at the Grande Guignol
Theatre eclipses in its horror "The Campden
Wonder," which is exciting so much comment
in London.It is called "Blind," and is by Carl Hellem
and Paul d'Ivoi. A blind man has turned
out of doors his son by a first wife because he
suspects him to be in love with his second
wife. The son returns, and is having a stormy
love scene with his step-mother, when his father
comes in to the room.The woman and her step-son remain
motionless, and the blind man hears noth-
ing, but he sits down just in front of the
only door leading out of the room. He
talks to his wife about his son, and from
her nervousness guesses that something is
wrong. "There is somebody in this room,"
he says, and he insists on his wife preceding
him out of the room, which he locks behind
him.The son tries to get away, but this blind
father, who was listening outside, rushes in
with a revolver and shoots. He misses, but
the shot brings in an old servant, who in-
voluntarily calls out the son's name. "Then
my suspicions were founded on truth,"
cries the unhappy father, and he shoots
himself.The piece, which was admirably acted, made
a very painful impression, but it is in order to
receive painful impressions that people go to
the Grande Guignol.

Intimations.

OF THE MULTITUDES

who have used it, or are now using it, we have
never heard of any one who has been dis-
appointed in it. No claims are made for it
except those which are amply justified by ex-
perience. In commending it to the afflicted
we simply point to its record. It has done great
things, and it is certain to continue to do ex-
cellent work. There is—we may honestly affirm
—no medicine which can be used with greater
and more reasonable faith and confidence. It
nourishes and keeps up the strength during
those periods when the appetite fails and food
cannot be digested. To guard against imita-
tions and substitutions, our "trade mark" is
put on every bottle of "Wampole's Preparation,"
and without it none is genuine. It is palatable
as honey and contains the nutritive
and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil,
extracted by us from fresh cod livers, com-
bined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophos-
phites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild
Cherry. Taken before meals it creates an
appetite, aids digestion, renews vital power,
drives out disease germs, makes the blood rich,
red and full of constructive elements, and gives
back to the pleasures and labours of the world
many who had abandoned hope. Dr. S. H.
McCoy, of Canada, says: "I testify with
pleasure to its unlimited usefulness as a tissue
builder." Its curative powers can always be
relied upon. It makes a new era in medicine,
is beneficial from the first dose and represents
effective medical treatment of the twentieth
century. "You can trust it as the Ivy does the
Oak." One bottle convinces. Watch carefully
against imitations. At all chemists here and
throughout the world.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

A MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held
at the Offices of Messrs. JOHNSON,
STOKES & MASTER, No. 6, Des Vaux Road
Central, TO-MORROW, the 1st March, 1907,
at 5 P.M.

BUSINESS:

To arrange the programme and the date for
the first Gymkhana.

R. F. C. MASTER,

Hon. Sec. & Treasurer.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1907.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LD.

THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY AN-
NUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS in the Company will be held in
the Office of the General Managers, St.
George's Building, Victoria, on SATURDAY,
the 2nd March, 1907, at 11 o'clock A.M., for
the purpose of receiving a Statement of
Accounts and the Report of General Managers
for the year ending 31st December, 1906,
declaring a Dividend and electing Consulting
Committee and Auditors.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 25th
February, until SATURDAY, 2nd March,
both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1907.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the Offices of the undersigned
at 11 A.M., on THURSDAY, the 7th March.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 21st inst. to the 7th
proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

General Managers,

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company,
Limited.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1907.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED.

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

The following PORTS and SHERRIES bottled in Europe have been especially selected and procured from the celebrated Firm of

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	Per Case.
DOURO.....	\$15.00
OLD TAWNY.....	18.00
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ESTRELLA.....	24.00
FIVE DIAMOND.....	27.00
VERY OLD TAWNY.....	42.00
OLDEST & FINEST.....	50.00

SHERRIES.

	Per Case.
LIGHT DRY.....	\$13.00
SOLEIRA.....	18.00
VERY PALE DRY.....	18.00
FULL GOLDEN.....	21.00
PALE DRY NUTTY.....	24.00
FINE OLD BROWN.....	36.00

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED, AGENTS.

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1907.

BIRTH.

On February 21, 1907, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. EST, a daughter.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1907.

JAPAN'S FINANCIAL POSITION.

An illuminating address on the financial position and trade prospects was given by the Governor of the Bank of Japan at a meeting held recently. There was a highly optimistic note in the Governor's speech, and from the statistics quoted and the general trend of affairs in Japan there seems to be every reason for the optimism. But Japan has not yet recovered from the effects of the recent war, and it is quite clear that at the end of last year the business houses were greatly indebted to the banks for temporary assistance in meeting their liabilities. The Governor stated that at the end of December last, owing to the temporary concurrence of demands from the banks for accommodation to settle the year's accounts, it resulted that on the last day of the year the Bank of Japan's loans aggregated 115 millions, its note issue passed 341 millions and its excess above the legal limit reached 74 millions. The main feature of the year was the great development in the working of private enterprises. No mention is made of the important step taken by the sugar refineries in amalgamating with the object of reducing expenses and forming a close combine to deprive the foreign product of its influence on the local markets. But probably that combination, together with others which have been arranged with less publicity, accounts for the fact that there was a diminution of \$69,750,000 yen in the imports in 1906 as compared with the preceding year, while the exports showed an increase of 102,220,000 yen over those of 1905, or an increase of 34,460,000 yen over the whole trade of the year. A comparatively large part of this sum may be attributed to the fact that last year a large proportion of the army in the North had returned to industrial life, whereas in the previous year the country was suffering from the denudation of the country of the working class population. It is also explained that the imports during the period of the war consisted in large measure of naval and military material. With reference to the export trade several reasons are given for its expansion. The principal of them doubtless was said the Governor, the prosperous con-

dition of trade in the countries of the Occident, which caused an augmented demand for Japanese goods, and the gradual development of commercial marts in China and Korea. Moreover, another factor that must not be lost sight of was the activity of the producing centres. Sericulture, it is mentioned, was an unqualified success, the quality of the silk being exceptionally good. "Similarly earnest endeavour was shown in the fields of cotton-spinning, habutae-weaving, copper and coal production and sugar refining, and the resulting large development of the volume of production may be regarded as an important cause of the growth of exports." With regard to the burden of foreign loans incurred in consequence of the war, the Governor remarked that "so far as the discharge of this debt is concerned no cause for uneasiness exists. But," he added, "an inevitable result is that an addition has had to be made to our countrymen's load of taxation, and in order to carry the load easily, as well as to promote the further development of the country's fortunes, it is essential that the nation's producing capacity should be increased and its stock of capital supplemented. The way to increase production is to encourage the growth of profitable undertakings." The Governor did not view with much graciousness the policy of contracting foreign loans, regarding the development of such a prevalent disposition as "an evil." However, certain improvements which had been made in the equalisation of the rates of interest between the head and branch offices, and other reforms were, in his opinion, calculated to induce companies to increase their capital and extend their undertakings by means of loans raised in Japan. On the whole, then, the financial position of the country may be regarded as perfectly sound from the bankers' point of view, while the commercial outlook is satisfactory. The great danger into which the country may drift, in these days of the rapid development of industrial concerns, is that of initiating bubble companies for the exploitation of impossible projects. As a race the Japanese are accounted shrewd and cautious, but other peoples, believed to be equally as astute, have, in times of unwonted prosperity, been induced to embark in amazing schemes, simply because the craze to acquire wealth quickly was in the air. Such a danger may be visionary but is certainly not to be deemed wholly imaginary.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE *Eastern Times* states that the Peking Government has telegraphed to H.E. Ting Chiao-tu, Viceroy of the Yuan Kwei provinces, to throw open Yunnan to foreign trade without delay.

THE Chinese Engineering & Mining Co.'s total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending February 9, 1907, amounted to 7,759,17 tons and the sales during the same period to 8,656,22 tons.

THE *Korea Daily News* states that a woman in Suung-chun is said to be the proud mother of three boys "simultaneous." The Prefect is getting up a purse for her. If it had been one boy more the Prefect, according to custom, would have had to send her pig's food. That is the difference between three and four; a mere matter of subtraction.

THE *N. C. D. News* learns from a private letter from Chong-chun dated February 6 that refugees from the Kuangshu Lin district were beginning to arrive there. No mention is made as to their numbers, or whether their arrival there is in any way an indication that the Chinese Government is seeking to put into a tion the plan mooted some time ago of sending the famine-stricken people to settle in the vast plains of Manchuria.

A NEW Government notification, declaring Hongkong an infected port, has been issued at Bangkok. Vessels from Hongkong have now to stop at the quarantine anchorage at Koh Phra, and before receiving pratique must stay there until a period of ten full days shall have elapsed from the time of leaving port, or until released by the Health Officer. Vessels from any port in China have to call at Koh Phra and undergo medical inspection. The new notification is due to cases of plague having been imported into Bangkok from Hongkong.

TO IM, a tailor, residing at No. 14, Cochrane Street, was charged on remand before Mr. P. A. Hazeland, yesterday afternoon, at the Police Court, with uttering a forged order on a firm at No. 215, Wing Lok Street and obtaining three boxes of mushrooms, valued at \$400, under false pretences; forging the said order; uttering another forged order and obtaining two boxes of fungus, valued at \$80, by fraud, and forging the order. He used was alleged in having secured the goods on two different days—22nd and 25th inst. After evidence was heard the defendant was committed to take his trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Two painters, employed in a carpenter's shop at No. 59, Gilman Bazaar, got into a quarrel yesterday and a fish knife was brought into use. The quarrel was over a debt which Pun Po owed. Lung Hang demanded the money yesterday evening and he was struck. A fight naturally followed, during which Pun Po picked up a knife and slashed his comrade on the arm. The wound was not serious. He was arrested. "Accused was arraigned before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning, on a charge of assault, and on pleading guilty was fined \$10 and bound over to keep the peace for three months.

HARDLY a day passes now without some seizure of opium being recorded by the Customs Department which now has to perform the duties formerly attended to by the Opium Farmer as far as the river is concerned. An inspecting officer who boarded the *Pleasant* found in the water condenser, in the cook's galley, twenty tals of opium carefully secreted. Then a few hours later two tals of opium were found on board a small junk in the river which had come up from Chantaboon way. The Customs authorities have not as yet been able to get into full working order, but when they do it is hoped that the amount of smuggling which goes on, as far as the port of Bangkok is concerned, will be very materially reduced.—*Bangkok Times*.

FRED BUCK, an unemployed seaman, residing at the Sailors' Home, West Point, imbibed of certain beverages last evening which was neither tea nor coffee, and with great headway on reeled along Queen's Road West, homeward bound. Undoubtedly the road was too narrow for Buck, who rocked from side to side sometimes anchoring to a handy pillar when a capsiz was imminent. This went on for some time without anything serious happening, but when the unsteady Buck pitched into a ricksha coolie—with his boots, because, he thought the ricksha man was steering for the pillar he had an eye on, that was his undoing. Inspector Cullett saw the boot rise and fall, he saw the coolie suddenly jump, and Buck was arrested on a charge of disorderly behaviour, the ricksha coolie, it was alleged, refusing to press a charge of assault. Buck was arraigned before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, this morning, at the Police Court, and fined \$2.

By all accounts infant mortality must be on the increase to an alarming extent in Bangkok. Scarcely a day passes that we do not hear of the bodies of children seen floating on the Menam, and of new-born babes found cast into kloangs, gullies and other places more or less remote, which show most clearly to what a terrible extent infant mortality prevails in our midst. It is generally believed that this growing destruction of infant life is owing to a great measure to wilful intent than to accident or natural causes, and consequently the law ought to be able to deal with parents or persons found responsible for the loss of such lives. Still we never hear of any investigations being made in localities where the bodies of babes are discovered. Even should a child die through natural causes, the very act of throwing the body into the river, kloang, creek, or garden is criminal in itself and those responsible for the unnatural act ought to be punished accordingly. As it is, the bodies of children discovered in such places are simply removed or buried in a hole as the brute, and nothing more is thought of the fact until another is found, and so infant mortality is growing unchecked. Surely, something can be done to remedy this great evil. When cases of the kind are discovered, could not the matter be put in the hands of some trustworthy and energetic detectives, who would never rest until the responsible persons are traced and brought before the tribunal of Justice to be made examples of, so that others hearing of it may fear?—*Siam Free Press*.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. Present:—His Excellency the Governor, Lieut. Colonel Sir Matthew Nathan K.C.M.G., Hon. Mr. F. H. May (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz (Attorney General), Hon. Captain F. J. Badesley (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hon. Mr. W. Chatham (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. A. W. Brewin (Registrar-General), Hon. Mr. F. A. Hewitt, Hon. Mr. Dr. Hu Kai, M.B., C.M.G., Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, Hon. Mr. W. J. Gieson, Hon. Mr. F. Osborne, and Mr. A. G. McFletcher (Clerk of Council).

ABSENT.

His Excellency Major General R. G. Broadwood, R.E. (Commanding the Troops), Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson (Colonial Treasurer).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 1 to 13, and it was agreed that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

His Excellency the Governor said:—Financial minute No. 1, which is for \$2,515 is necessitated by the outbreak which took place at the Dairy Farm at the commencement of the year. Under section 34 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, the Government was called upon to pay compensation for 21 diseased cows and one healthy one that had to be slaughtered to prevent the spread of the disease. Financial minute No. 2 for \$1,484 is required to resume some land adjoining the police station, land office, and officers' quarters at Tai-po to prevent this land being used for Chinese shops and dwellings which, it is considered, would have been insanitary to the surrounding buildings. Financial minute No. 3 for \$705 is necessitated by the fact that in the years 1904, 1905, and 1906, through an oversight, the amounts voted by the Colony in aid of the Cancer Research Fund were not paid to that Fund. To obviate such a re-occurrence in the future, the Crown Agents have been sent an annual list of the Colony's contributions to various funds, with instructions to pay them without further reference to the Colony. Financial minute No. 4 for \$200 is for repairs to the new fairway buoys. These repairs were necessitated by the heavy typhoons at the end of September last. Financial minute No. 5 for \$100 is for repairs and the provision of some additional rifles for the use of the Volunteer Reserve Association. The considerable use of the rifles made in the past has necessitated the repairs and the opening of the new Peak range which will be used at the same time as the Kowloon range necessitates additional rifles in the future. Financial minute No. 6 consists of two main items one of \$33,000 for works and the other of \$32,690 is a

revote of money spent on the last year. The first item consists of \$1,000 on account of typhoon and earthquake damages. I foreshadowed the necessity for this vote when I last referred to the subject. It was no use taking it last year as the repairs could not then be carried out. The remainder of the \$33,000 is an item of \$12,000 for insaniatory property resumption. This is in addition to a revote of part of the money voted last year. The total of \$32,690 revotes is on account of some of the works commenced in 1905 not having been completed that year. It compares favourably with the amount of the revotes in the last two years. Financial minute No. 7 for \$153,807 is on account of the destruction of the matcheds in which the Land Office records were kept at Tai-po. This is involved the occupation of a private house at Tai-po and the amount included in this vote is for the rent of that house. Financial minute No. 8, for \$3,263, is for an increased contribution to the Imperial Institute for the two years 1906-07 and 1907-08. The subscription is now \$200. Before making this subscription I consulted the Secretary of Council, who considered the Colony would reap advantage from it. Financial minute No. 10 for \$1050 is for paying some compensation for and taken up for the military rank, as at Kowloon. There was a vote of \$10,000 for this purpose in 1904. Of that, \$10,973 was spent in that year, and at the end of the year the account was closed. Owing to some dispute as to who was entitled to compensation it has been impossible to pay this further account until the present time. Financial minute No. 10 for the small sum of \$55 is to enable us to set apart a small cottage, hospital of six beds at Tai-po. It was recommended by the Principal Civil Medical Officer after his inspection of the New Territories. Financial minute No. 11, \$9,334, is for raising the fire float which was sunk in the typhoon of September 18, and for providing new power and fittings for it. Financial minute No. 12, \$5,000, is mainly a revote of a sum already provided for the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance. I have been assured by the chairman of that Commission that very little further expenditure will be involved, and in my turn I have assured him that this Council will be much disappointed if the labours of the Commission do not result in a considerable reduction in the annual expenditure of the Sanitary Department. Financial minute No. 13, \$6,209, is on account of the expenditure incurred in connection with the visit of their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, and in this connection the Council will be interested to learn that I received from His Royal Highness a telegram when he landed at Singapore saying how delighted they were with the reception and that they much regretted they were unable to spend a longer time with us than they did.

The motion was adopted, and the Council sat in private.

FINANCE COMMITTEE. A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately after the meeting of Council, the Colonial Secretary presiding. It was unanimously agreed that the following votes be recommended for adoption by the Council.

THE RINDERPEST OUTBREAK. A sum of two thousand five hundred and fifteen dollars in aid of the vote, Sanitary Department—Other charges, compensation for infected cattle slaughtered.

RESUMPTION OF TAXED LOTS. A sum of one thousand four hundred and eighty-four dollars in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Resumption of taxed lots in the New Territories.

CANCER RESEARCH FUND. A sum of \$200 in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Cancer Research Fund.

HARBOUR NEEDS. A sum of two thousand dollars in aid of the vote, Harbour Master's Department, Harbour Office—Special expenditure, purchase of three fairway lights and buoys.

VOLUNTEER EXPENSES. A sum of one thousand dollars in aid of the vote, Military expenditure, B. Volunteers—Other charges, purchase of 24 barrels and 13 rifles.

PUBLIC WORKS. A sum of fifty-three thousand dollars and to revote a sum of thirty-two thousand six hundred and ninety dollars in aid of the votes—Public works recurrent and public works extraordinary for the following items:—

Public works recurrent—	
Typhoon and rainstorm damages.....	\$41,000
Public works extraordinary—	
Insanitary property resumption.....	12,000
Mortuary at Kowloon.....	\$5,150
New roads in Victoria extension east and west of Conduit Road.....	5,290
Insanitary property resumption.....	12,060
Water supply, Tai-po.....	3,410
Time-ball tower on Blackhead's Hill, Kowloon.....	6,780
	\$32,690

NEW TERRITORIES REGISTRY OFFICE. A sum of one hundred and fifty-three dollars and eighty cents in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, Land Registry Office, New Territories—Other charges, typhoon expenses.

IMPERIAL INSTITUTE. A sum of three thousand two hundred and sixty-three dollars (\$3,263 @ 2/- = \$326.60) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, grants-in-aid of other institutions—Imperial Institute.

KOWLOON RIFLE RANGE. A sum of one thousand and fifty dollars in aid of the vote, public works extraordinary, resumption of private property for rifle range, Kowloon.

A TEMPORARY HOSPITAL. A sum of fifty-five dollars in aid of the vote, Medical Departments, B.—Hospitals and asylums, other charges, New Territories, rent of temporary hospital.

FIRE BRIGADE. A sum of nine thousand three hundred and thirty-four dollars in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Department, B.—Fire brigade, other charges, typhoon damages.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION. A sum of five thousand and four dollars, \$5,430.15 being a revote, in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Public Health and Buildings Ordinance Commission.

THE CONNAUGHT RECEPTION. A sum of six thousand two hundred and nine dollars in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Connaught reception.

KOWLOON DOCK AMENITIES.

PRESENTATIONS TO DEPARTING MEMBERS.

A goodly number of the staff of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. met last night in the Reading Room to make presentations to Capt. Dodds and Mr. John Kyles on the occasion of their departure for home to-day. The presents consisted of a silver tea set and a pair of silver vases for Capt. Dodds and a silver tea and coffee service, caddy, and pair of vases for Mr. John Kyles.

Mr. Stewart, chairman of committee, on presenting the tea service, &c., to Capt. Dodds on behalf of the staff expressed regret at losing the captain, and said that those who had known him knew him as a jolly good fellow, and hoped that when he got into the bosom of his family that he may have many a pleasant cup of tea from the tempo, and that he might have pleasant recollections of his sojourn in Hongkong.

The Captain briefly replied. Messrs Logan, Baxter, Davison, and Rutledge also expressed regret at the Captain's departure from the Colony.

Mr. Neave, on presenting Mr. Kyles, through Mr. Stewart, with a silver tea and coffee service, &c., and they had met there to offer these beautiful silver pieces as a memento of the respect they held for Mr. Kyles, who had been a member of the staff for a good many years. They wished him *bon voyage* and a speedy return to health in his native land. He regretted that Mr. Kyles was not able to accept the presents in person but hoped that Mr. Stewart would convey to him the good wishes of the meeting and their regret at his inability to do so.

Mr. Stewart in accepting the gifts on behalf of Mr. Kyles said in the words of the old proverb that it was better to give than receive, but to receive this present for their old friend Mr. Kyles, gave him great pleasure, although he regretted exceedingly Mr. Kyles' inability to be present. On looking back to the long acquaintanceship with Mr. Kyles with regard to the Reading Room he could say that Mr. Kyles was a most energetic member. After speeches from a number of those present, a pleasant hour was spent in harmony, Messrs Taylor, Logan, Purves, Crispin and Henderson contributing.

JAPANESE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

HEAVY RATE CUTTING CAUSED BY COMPETITION.

According to investigations at the end of December, 1906, the business conditions of the leading Japanese fire insurance companies were as follows:—

Company	Policies issued.	Amount insured.
Nippon.....	191,736	355,252,264
Tokyo.....	148,394	278,935,750
Meiji.....	50,052	161,853,087
Yokohama.....	69,511	159,279,075
Teikoku.....	143,717	106,180,525
Kyodo.....	13,079	53,152,245
Osaka.....	37,145	36,183,776
Yokan.....	30,989	21,283,381
Naikai.....	29,128	14,125,441
Yamato.....	11,047	9,143,093

Commenting on the above the *Yokohama*, as we learn from a translation in the *Japan Mail*, says that competition among the companies at the present time has grown serious. Some of them have reduced rates to 0.1 or 0.15 per cent, and as the result, their financial condition is far from satisfactory. According to a prominent official of the Department of Agriculture and Commerce, adds the *Journal*, the Japanese companies are competing for risks on small houses situated in dangerous places, in spite of the recent development in insurance business, while most of the large and valuable buildings and costly goods are insured by foreign companies.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 28th at 10.40 a.m.—The barometer has fallen considerably over Japan and the Loo-choo, and risen very rapidly over Central and Northern China.

The depression still lies over N.E. Japan, and a second area of low pressure is moving N.E. to the E. of the Loo-choo.

A high pressure area of considerable intensity has appeared over China to the North of the Yangtze.

Gradients are steep and hard N. and N.E. gales may be expected over the Eastern Sea, the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

FORECAST.

- 1.—Hon. kong and neighbourhood, N.E. winds, strong to a moderate gale; probably some rain, colder.
- 2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. strong gales.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamoucks, N.E. winds, strong to a gale.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 2.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILED MAIL.
German (*Prinz Ludwig*) 1st prox. noon.
French (*Ernest Simons*) 4th prox.
American (*Korea*) 8th prox.
Australian (*Changsha*) 13th prox.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 10th prox.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Mongolia* arrived at San Francisco on 25th inst.

The H. A. L. s.s. *Libria* left Singapore on 28th inst. a.m. and may be expected here on 6th prox.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Ernest Simons*, with the next French mail, will leave Saigon on 3rd prox. at 4 p.m., for this port.

TELEGRAM.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

SIR ROBERT HART.

ADDRESSES TO THE IMPERIAL FAMILY.

DEPARTURE ON FURLOUGH.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 28th February, 2.40 p.m.

Sir Robert Hart, the Inspector-General of the Imperial Customs of China, had a farewell audience of the Throne to-day prior to his departure on eighteen months' furlough.

FIRE IN CONNAUGHT ROAD.

ONE HOUSE GUTTED.

Several thousand dollars worth of damage was done this morning by a fire which broke out at No. 68, Connaught Road Central. The fire alarm was rung at the Central Police Station shortly before half-past ten o'clock and there was a rush made by those who were attending the police court to get to the scene without any delay. The fire brigade, which was in charge of Chief Inspector Baker and Assistant Engineer Lane, arrived at the fire in good time and work to extinguish the blaze, which by that time had a good grip on the building, was started. Fire engines Nos. 4 and 5, worked by Engine Driver Macdonald, were driven close to the edge of the prey wall, a little to the east of the burning building, and water was drawn from the harbor to commence operations. The mains along Connaught Road, Gilman Street and Des Voeux Road were called into service. On each of these mains lengths of hose were attached and in a roundabout way reached the scene of activity, leaving Connaught Road, where all the hoses met, littered with the "canvas pipes."

House No. 68 is a three-storied building, situated very near to the *Charley Hardouin's* wharf. The ground floor was used as a godown, where a large amount of inflammable goods, chiefly consisting of matches, was stored. The first floor, we are informed, was used as the dwelling place for the *foh*, the second floor was the residence of Mr. Ng Joo, head Chinese master of Queen's College, while the third story was occupied by a clerk in the employ of Messrs. John-on, Stokes and Master.

When the fire-fighters got to the scene the fire was burning as rapidly as possible, and a number of lookers-on were heard to remark that they had seen many fires before, but for ferocity there was nothing to compare this one with the others. The fire was one of the worst from a smoke standpoint the local firemen have had to tackle for a long time. The inflammable material stored on the ground floor, coupled with the dryness of the woodwork, on the upper floors made the place burn like a tinder box. Flames poured forth from every verandah and twirled its way upwards, licking the roof in its ascension, while the smoke, which issued in huge puffs from every part of the building could be seen for a considerable distance round.

The water service which was turned on at this blaze was nothing to be proud of. At the commencement the pressure (we will call it that) was not strong enough to reach the first story of the building. In consequence of that Fireman Davy, carrying a hose, mounted the fire escape and from his position aloft got his hose to work. He was followed up by Fireman Cooper. A second escape was run up the side of the building and Fireman Sullivan made his ascent with a line of hose, but they could not remain there long. The heat was appalling, for by this time the upper floors were a roaring furnace, and the heat was unbearable to the spectators standing too close away from the house. Gradually the water pressure became stronger, and at last it reached the second floor, it did not appear to have had any effect on the flames, and the men were entertained of the fire spreading to the adjoining houses. The firemen worked as they never did before, every man did his utmost; Fireman Grant yelled his orders lustily, the engines pumped harder than ever, until a hose burst and the pressure had to be reduced several points in order to save the remaining hoses. Mr. R. Coughtrie, secretary to the Union Steam Water Boat Company, was as busy as a person present as anyone else, seeing the condition of things he ordered the coxswain of the steam water-boat *Tai Sui*, which was at the time moored alongside the *Charley Hardouin*, to come alongside the prey wall, facing the burning house, and get busy. At 10.55 *Tai Sui* got alongside and her suction hoses were run ashore. Some minutes later the fire showed signs of abating. The heat grew less and the crowd, which was forced to keep at a distance before, closed in and the special policemen experienced some trouble in trying to keep them outside the fire line. When the fire showed signs of dying out a rumbling sound was heard and the firemen sought a place of safety. The floors and part of the roof had collapsed.

Lukong No. 258 was hurt on the right foot by a piece of falling timber and he was ordered to hospital for treatment. All the time, along Des Voeux Road was stopped, including the tramcars, owing to the presence of the hoses along the track.

By 11.30 the fire was totally extinguished, leaving the entire building gutted. The amount of damage done is not yet known, but it is believed the premises are insured. Where the fire started, and how it started are questions which will require clearing up. The police have taken charge of the building and an investigation will follow.

TELEGRAMS.

[Special.]

The Ring.

Gunner Moir v. "Tiger" Smith.

LONDON, 26th February.
Gunner Moir knocked out "Tiger" Smith in the first round, in 169 seconds. The fight was merely a punching match, with the fastest and hardest use of the right and left on both sides. Gunner Moir is three inches taller and one and a half stone heavier than "Tiger" Smith.

Explosion on H.M.S. "Dragon."

A boiler explosion on H.M.S. "Dragon" has killed two, and injured four, of the crew.

Obituary.

The deaths of Mr. Otto Goldschmidt, the husband of Jenny Lind, and of Colonel Rollo of the Black Watch are announced.

The United States and Great Britain.

Mr. Bryce has called on President Roosevelt. The President said that Mr. Bryce's mission would maintain the existing cordial Anglo-American relations, and was bound to be successful because the aims of both countries were akin.

THE BANK OF JAPAN.

SPEECH BY THE GOVERNOR.

At the general meeting of the Bank of Japan, held on the 16th inst., Mr. Matsuo, Governor of the Bank, made an interesting speech from which we make the following extracts.

"The year under review (the 39th year of Meiji) may be described as a period of transition during which financial conditions were awakening from the state of torpor induced by the war. The first half of the year passed very quietly, but on entering the second half a tendency to gradual activity manifested itself. Nevertheless on the whole the year may be said to have terminated calmly and uneventfully. For although from the time of the outbreak of war considerable sums of money had been scattered through the country in the form of military and naval outlays, thus gradually producing a plenitude of floating capital, still the people at large remained under the influence of a sentiment of caution. Moreover, the spring season was marked by an abundance of political affairs. Thus a special Finance Law for Consolidation of the National Debts, a Law for amending portions of the Extraordinary Tax Law, a Law for the Nationalisation of Private Railways, and other measures all having an important bearing on the national economy, were presented to the Diet, giving rise to much discussion and apparently bewildering people's minds. Moreover, as the facts relating to the failure of the previous year's crops in the north-eastern districts became known, and the very severe suffering thus entailed was bruited abroad, a still greater sense of depression was produced. Probably for these reasons business conditions throughout the country did not show any sign of recovering from the dulness of the previous year. It is true that from January welcome followed welcome in honour of the troops returning victorious, so that an outward appearance of revival was presented by the market, but this briskness was confined to transactions of retail trade and did not make itself felt to any great degree in the world of general business. Further, at the time when woven stuffs, which constitute a barometer of the general commercial condition, were inclining to a state of depression, a violent depreciation of cotton yarns, which took place in April-May, inspired apprehensions as to the future course of events and resulted in a general decline of production. It is true that during this time an increase of the spinning industry and schemes or the establishment of various new enterprises found some few promoters, but nevertheless in response to the commercial depression, there seemed to be a renewal of the tendency to look seriously ahead. On the other hand, if the state of the money market be considered, it is seen that the payments on account of war outlays continued month after month from the beginning of the year, leading to an increased scattering of capital, while, at the same time, as a result of the spread of a war-induced spirit of effective economy among the people, large sums were placed on deposit in the banks. Money became easy both in town and in country; and the banks in the various localities set themselves to lower their rates of interest on deposits. This began during February in Osaka and Nagoya, and other places took a similar step. Our Bank, since raising its rate of interest in June of the year 1905, had maintained the same figure in conformity with the state of the market, but, in due appreciation of ruling conditions, two reductions of a rin each were made in the daily rate during March and May.

"At the commencement of the second half of the year, the fineness of the weather and the prospect of a good harvest brought signs of a recovery of tone. Business, which had been so long depressed, began to revive. Woven stuffs and in their sequel all kinds of merchandise gradually came into active demand. Thus, in September, when subscriptions were invited for the South-Manchuria Railway shares, the applications amounted to an extraordinary figure, and the share market, which, from the spring, had developed an upward tendency under various influences, grew increasingly active; the inception of various new enterprises grew gradually more frequent, and there were occasional apprehensions lest an abuse of this disposition should be witnessed. Still the financial condition remained as easy as ever, and the close of the year approached. There was indeed a temporary increase of demand for accommodation, but this was merely the outcome of business arrangements incidental to the close of the year, and thus the situation may be summed up by saying that things passed quietly alike in business and in finance."

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

A LINGUISTIC FRENCH VISITOR.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 26th February.
A military officer attached to the French Legation at Peking arrived here a few days ago. Accompanied by the French Consul at Canton, he had an interview with H.E. Viceroy Chow, with whom he conversed for some time. The gentleman being an experienced military officer, H.E. sent some weiyuan to bring the visitors to the northern Parade Ground to watch the military students go through their drill. The visitors were full of admiration for the students.

THE RIVER BRIDGE.

Yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, H.E. Viceroy Chow received an engineer from a firm of Hongkong and discussed with him matters concerning the proposed building of the iron bridge across the river. It is reported that this engineer has been recommended to H.E. by H.E. Wu Ting Fang, who is at present with the Viceroy.

A NEW THEATRE.

The building of the new theatre outside the eastern gate of the city at Chun Lung Hou, near the new public gardens has been completed and the Canton Bureau of Commerce, Industries and Agriculture has issued a notification calling for tender for the leasing of this new theatre.

THE FATSHAN TROUBLE.

The trouble in connection with the proposed levying of a new tax at Fatshan to furnish that place with a proper organized police force and which caused the suspension of business in that town, has been satisfactorily settled by the Namhoi Magistrate and the Brigadier-General of Kwangchow, who proceeded thither for the purpose yesterday. Business at the place has been resumed once more peacefully.

REIGN SHOWS IN THE CITY.

For several times foreigners have applied to the authorities for permission and protection to open cinematograph and other shows in Canton, but have been refused by the native authorities. Recently a Frenchman who intends to open a cinematograph show in the western suburb, has applied to the Namhoi Magistrate through his consul for the necessary permission and protection, but so far the Namhoi Magistrate has not given him a reply.

THE WATER POLICE.

Two boats have for some time been utilized as stations of the Canton Water Police Force in the harbour limit; one is stationed at Wong Sha, and the other at Chun Lun Hou at the eastern section of the Bund. On account of their long period of residence at sea, many of the members of the force are suffering from swollen feet, and consequently are unfit for duty. Now the authorities have given instructions to appropriate \$6,000 from the collection of the tax on biotels for the purpose of building two stations on land instead of using boats. The work of construction was commenced on the 6th instant.

THE LIEUTENANT TARTAR GENERAL.

Yesterday a farewell dinner was given to the Lieutenant Tartar General Chun Ling in honour of his transfer and promotion, by a number of officials and the community of his native province residing at Canton.

VILLAGE ROBBERY.

On the 24th instant, a gang of over 100 robbers violently attacked the Ngan Yu Village in the Pak Shan District, ransacked 23 houses and carried away spoils to the value of over ten thousand dollars. The village soldiers were not in strong enough force to overcome their enemy and were compelled to retire with the result that one of their number was killed and several others wounded. Besides the booty the robbers also kidnapped and carried away with them one man and a child. The outrage has been reported to the authorities.

RAILWAY AFFAIRS.

The payment of the second instalment on the shares of the Canton-Hankow Railway Company was fixed at a recent meeting for the present month, but owing to the delay in the election of a president, vice-president and some members of the board of directors, the collection of the second payment has been deferred to some future date. The Company has telegraphed to various shareholders of the company, both at home and abroad, to that effect.

WHAMPOA DOCKS.

The naval docks at Whampoa will be handed over by the Government to a company of officials and merchants, and vessels of all descriptions whether Government or private will be charged on the same scale for repairs.

OFFICIAL CHANGES.

It is reported that important affairs at Honan require the services of the present Provincial Judge Chu tze, and H.E. the Viceroy has appointed Tsoai Heish to take up the position until his return. Owing to the death of his mother, the present Provincial Examiner Tou will go on leave and H.E. the Viceroy has appointed the Provincial Treasurer Wu to take up the position *pro tem*.

"HON VOYAGE" DINNER.

It is reported that H.E. the Viceroy will invite Mr. F. J. Mayers, Commissioner of Customs, who will leave Canton soon, on two years' leave, to a farewell dinner, at his yamen. Commander and Admiral Li Chun will also be present.

OPIUM IN THE ARMY.

The Viceroy has received from the Ministry of Army at Peking a despatch with regulations prohibiting the officers and troops from smoking opium. At present it is still found that many of the military officers and troops are addicted to the habit of taking the drug. Those who fail to get rid of the vice will be seriously dealt with, according to the instructions framed by that Ministry, and if any officers fail to report on the habits of their subordinates, they will also be punished. Opium smokers are not to be enlisted as soldiers. The Viceroy will communicate with the Tartar General, the Commander-in-Chief, and the officials of the Military Departments, asking them strictly to enforce these regulations.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL APPEAL.

Li Shai Kwei secretly returned to Canton a few months ago and petitioned the Viceroy to pardon him and to permit him to remain here. On inquiry the Viceroy found Li guilty of many cases of corruption and has given instructions to discover his whereabouts as well as to seize his property, if any, in Canton, and in his native province Kiangsu, as reported the other day. It is now stated that Li has again absconded from Canton.

THE NEW GAOL.

It is reported that the Namhoi Magistrate will not hand over the seals of his office until the completion of the construction of the new gaol building.

NEW MARKET.

Owing to the high rate of rent charged for the stalls of the new market buildings in the old site of the Cheung Shou Monastery, the different stalls have been left unoccupied until alterations have been made. The stalls in the new buildings being now nearly all taken up, this new market will be opened on the 27th instant.

KWANGCHOW GENERAL.

The newly-appointed Brigadier-General of Kwangchow, Pun Cheek Man, will take over the seals of office from Wong Pui Tsung about the 15th March next.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

At 8 a.m. on the 25th instant when a man was going to Fatsan by land along the railway tracks, he was knocked down by a passing train and one of his legs was injured seriously. He was at once removed to the American Hospital and he is not expected to live.

WUCHOW NOTES.

VILLAGE PILLAGED.

Wuchow, 26th February.
One of the most cruel and daring atrocities was perpetrated on the village of Wong Pu Tao, on Sunday, the 24th instant. From news to hand it appears that a large body of robbers, alleged to be some couple hundred strong, appeared at the above village on Sunday evening at 6 p.m. and without any provocation on the part of the villagers, proceeded to pillage the various huts of the villagers. Wong Pu Tao is a village barely a mile away from Wuchow, on the opposite bank of the river, and almost within sight of some of the foreign houses, on the Wuchow side of the river. The villagers naturally resented the behaviour of the marauders and in desperation attacked the robbers, but being very inferior in numbers they suffered at the hands of the ruffians. The robbers, it is significant, were armed only with swords, knives, scythes, etc. but no fire arms. This is a clear indication that the above robbers were not a rebel gang, but just plain marauders, who are very numerous around the outlying districts of Wuchow, of recent days.

In the fight that ensued between the robbers and the villagers, some 5 or 6 were killed and a large number wounded. The casualties were mainly on the villagers' side, who being absolutely unprepared and not armed for an attack, suffered accordingly. The robbers after looting everything of value, in the village, set fire to it and decamped across the hills, taking with them their loot and also a number of women and children belonging to the village. Yesterday morning great volumes of smoke were observed by a number of people in Wuchow, who thought it was just one of the usual bonfires on the hills, that are so common about here. At 2 p.m. one of the villagers, who had managed to escape unhurt, came into Wuchow and reported the above details of the disaster that had overtaken his fellow-villagers. In reply to a query he denied that it was a clan fight, as he said his village was on the most amicable terms with the neighbouring clans, and moreover the robbers who had visited them were absolutely unknown to any one in the village. The poor villagers are in the mean while in a sad plight as they are homeless and all their possessions have been stolen or ruthlessly destroyed. The majority of them have now come into Wuchow for refuge and help. The matter was reported to the Wuchow hsien, or Magistrate, who immediately sent a body of soldiers to the village, with orders to follow up the robbers and capture them if possible. Needless to say no such thing as the capture of the robbers will happen, as the local soldiers are not inclined that way, the majority of them being ex-pirates themselves. With a garrison very much below the normal strength, it is no wonder that such daring robbers should take place, almost within sight of the port. Wuchow, which used to have 800 soldiers in barracks, has now barely 200, and this great reduction is of course due to the officials trying to economize. This policy of economy is a wrong one, is apparent, when such atrocities as the above can be perpetrated so near the port. With regard to the women and children captured by the robbers, the Chinese here say that this is always customary, as in case the robbers are pursued by Government troops, they put the women and children between themselves and the troops to escape being fired at. When not pursued, after leading their captives some considerable distance from where they have taken them, the robbers release their victims to find their way back to their own homes, as best they are able. In some cases, where possible, the children and women are sold for what they will fetch, but the robbers never do this where a possible chance of detection will lead to their own capture. One of the survivors of this village outrage mentioned that he did not think that these robbers were old hands at this game, as many of them were quite as alarmed as the villagers themselves. The survivor in question goes on to say that he thinks that they are a lot of farm labourers from distant districts, who having been famine-stricken, in their own parts, have banded together for the purpose of robbery, to enable them to tide over this bad winter, as the proceeds of their robberies. He states, as his reason for this view, that so many of the robbers were armed with farming implements. The local gentry are combining to relieve the unfortunate villagers and in the meanwhile the officials promise to do everything possible to capture the robbers and to recover the women and children stolen.

THE "OPEN DOOR" IN MANCHURIA.

QUESTIONS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF SAGHALIEN.

The Japan Chronicle of 16th inst. says:—The proceedings on Thursday of the Budget Committee in the House of Representatives are of interest, the Estimates for the administration of Kwantung and Kabufuto (the Japanese half of Saghalien) being considered.

In reply to a question of Mr. Sasaki, a member of the Daido Club, in regard to the administration in Kwantung, Mr. Chinda, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, stated that in South Manchuria the Government was working on the principle of the "open door" and "equal opportunity," in accordance with the spirit of the treaty of peace. Some foreigners, continued the Vice-Minister, were inclined to think that the Japanese Government would not carry out its pledge to maintain the "open door" in South Manchuria, seeing that duties were imposed on goods imported through Newchwang, while Japanese goods were admitted duty-free through Tairen. This opinion was a mistaken one; Japanese and foreign goods were alike admitted duty-free through Tairen. In fact, the Japanese Government was hesitating to establish a Customs-House at Tairen, as it was considered that it was not necessary to do so before a Customs-House was established by Russia in North Manchuria. Now that it had been agreed between the Chinese and Russian Governments to establish a Customs-House in North Manchuria, a Customs-House would be established at Tairen. The assurance repeatedly given by the Government of the "open door" and "equal opportunity" in Manchuria would remain unchanged after the war as before.

Mr. Yokota, a Progressist, inquired as to the Government policy of the administration of Kabufuto.

Mr. Hara, Home Minister, stated that the new territory would be placed under the jurisdiction of the Home Department from the coming fiscal year, and an official to direct the administration, under the title of the Director of the Kabufuto Government, would be shortly appointed. The territory would be ruled on the same lines as the administration of the mainland. The Kabufuto Government would not be vested with power to make laws, as in Formosa, but would be placed on the same footing as Okinawa (Luchu). Fishery and forestry were the principal industries of the new territory.

Mr. Yokota, referring to the report that the question of Russia's fishing rights in Kabufuto would be submitted to the decision of the Hague Court of Arbitration, or that such Russian rights would be purchased by the Japanese Government, asked whether there was any truth in these reports.

Mr. Chinda, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, replied that the views of the two Governments were in opposition on the question, and that efforts were being made to settle the difficulty diplomatically. The Vice-Minister added that nothing definite had been decided as to whether the question should be submitted to the decision of the Hague Court or the Russian rights purchased.

Mr. Sasaki further asked whether it was true that the Chinese had taken in hand the construction of a railway between Kien and Changchung. The Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs replied that such reports had appeared in the newspapers, but the Government was not yet in receipt of any authoritative intelligence on the matter. Mr. Sasaki further inquired if the withdrawal of troops from Manchuria would not diplomatically affect Japan. The Vice-Minister stated that he could not tell what would be the effect of the withdrawal of the troops from a military point of view, but diplomatically it would in no way affect Japan.

No further questions were asked, and the meeting having agreed to refer the Estimates to sub-committee, the proceedings terminated. A Tairen message states that Mr. Kuroawa, Assistant-Chief Commissioner of the Newchwang Customs, arrived at Tairen on the 13th instant to make the necessary preparations for the establishment of the Customs-House, which is expected to be opened on April 1st next.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

Buyers:—National Banks \$11, Union Insurance \$830, Hongkong Land \$107, China Provident \$830, Cements \$1, Electric \$15, Ice \$240 ex div., A. S. Watsons, \$12, Powell \$71.

Sellers:—Hongkong Banks \$897, Canton Insurance \$95, China Fines \$98, China and Manilla \$30 (longs) \$36, Shell \$ransport \$87, Raubs \$87, China Sugars \$128, Hongkong Ducks \$134 ex div., Kowloon Wharfs \$241, West Point \$50, Humphreys & Slater \$112, China Homeo \$10, Electric \$17, Kopes \$21, China Light \$92.

Sales:—Hongkong Fines \$385, Macao Steamboats \$30, Land Investment \$107, China Provident \$835, Cements \$14, (old) \$15, 222 (new), Hongkong Hotels \$123, Cottons \$12, Dairy Farms \$161, Tramways \$215.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.
London—Bank T.T. 100/11 1/2
Do. demand 100/11 1/2
Do. 4 months' sight 100/11 1/2
France—Bank T.T. 100/11 1/2
America—Bank T.T. 100/11 1/2
India—Bank T.T. 100/11 1/2
Do. demand 100/11 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T. 100/11 1/2
Singapore T.T. 100/11 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T. 100/11 1/2
Java—Bank T.T. 100/11 1/2
4 months' sight L/C 100/11 1/2
6 months' sight L/C 100/11 1/2
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York 100/11 1/2
4 months' sight do. 100/11 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne 100/11 1/2
4 months' sight France 100/11 1/2
6 months' sight do. 100/11 1/2
4 months' sight Germany 100/11 1/2
Bar Silver 100/11 1/2
Bank of England rate 100/11 1/2
Sorteinge 100/11 1/2

ALLEGED "HOLD UP."

WATER POLICE ENGINEER ARRESTED.

Leung Yau, an engineer, employed at the Water Police Station, Tsing-tai-tai, figured very prominently in the dock at the Police Court, this morning, to answer a charge of highway robbery. The complaint was Leung Fu, a contractor, carrying on business at No. 125, Kramer Street, Tai-kok-tai. The "hold up" was alleged to have taken place near the reclamation works. The story told Sergeant Sim of Sam-shui-po Police Station, by the contractor, was to the effect that yesterday afternoon after paying off his sampan, for he had just returned from Mongkok, he started to return to his home. At the time he was wearing a gold chain, attached to which was one gold sovereign, two half sovereigns, one gold cash, one tiger's claw, and three gold ear-picks, the lot he valued at \$18. The chain was hanging from a button hole in his coat. When he reached the road, after his climb from the beach, he saw the Water Police man walking in the direction of Tsing-tai-tai. The contractor was passing the man when he was seized by the queue and struck with a truncheon. He was hit on the head, shoulder and ribs. Then, according to the contractor, accused snatched the gold chain and dashed down the road. Yelling "thief" at the top of his voice he pursued the man, who was arrested by two other persons who had heard his cries. The accused denied the charge. Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, who heard the case, held accused in \$500 bail for trial.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS altering the ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION and providing for the sub-division of each of the existing Shares of £10 each in the capital of the Company into two Shares of £5 each fully paid (one of which is a Preferred Ordinary Share and the other a Deferred Ordinary Share having the respective rights defined by the resolutions) having been duly passed, the sub-division came into effect on and from the 1st of January, 1907.

Shareholders are now requested to send us the Share Certificates for the Shares which stood in their names on the Register on the 31st December, 1906, in order that they may be cancelled and the corresponding Certificates for Preferred Ordinary Shares and Deferred Ordinary Shares may be issued to them in exchange in due course.

JARDINE, MATHEW & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1907. [261]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM LONDON, ANTWERP AND STRAIT.

THE Steamship

"GLENSTRAE"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 7th March will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival.

No claims will be recognized if not presented within 14 days of the ship's arrival.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1907. [160]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"NILE"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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Goods not cleared by the 6th proximo, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1907. [12]

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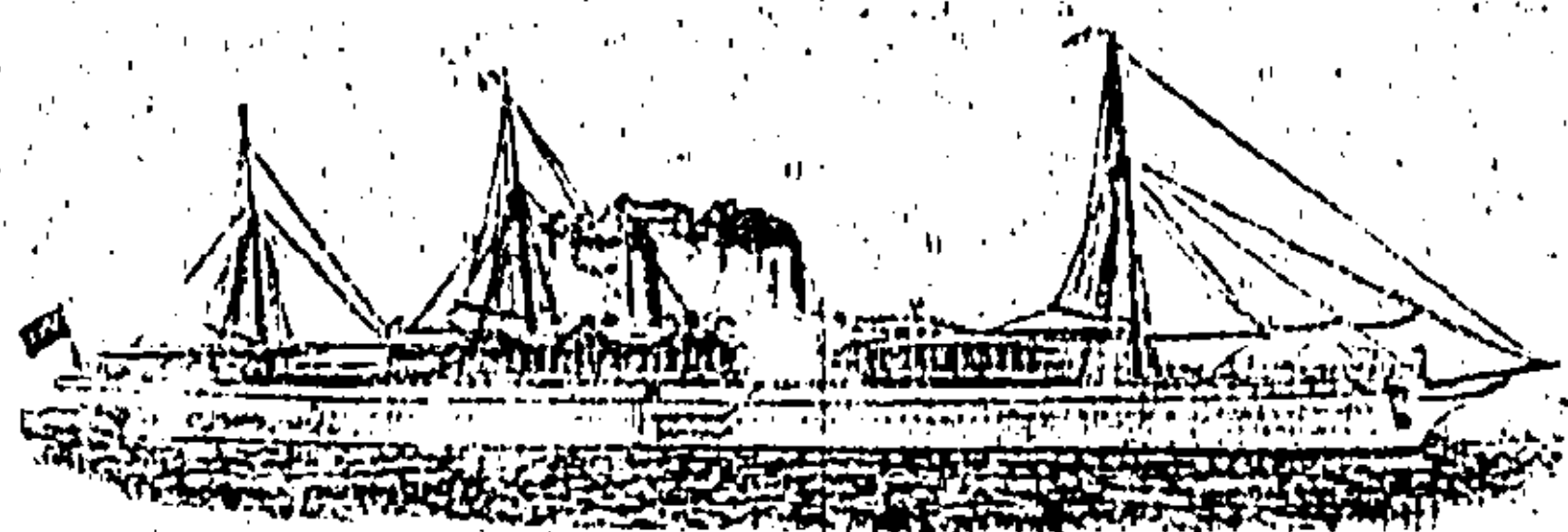
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Hongkong, 28th February, 1907.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL
NINGPO	"SUNGKIANG"	1st March, Noon.
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Hongkong, 28th February, 1907.

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1907. [17]

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1907. [10]

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„ Sirloin—Ngau Lau	30
„ Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chang	25
„ Bullock's Brains—„ Know	10
„ Tongue fresh—Ngau Li	50
„ „ Corned—Ham Ngau Li	55
„ Head—Ngau Tau	80
„ Heart—Ngau Sum	12
„ Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	20
„ Feet—Ngau Kerk	7
„ Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	10
„ Tail—Ngau Mei	17
„ Liver—Ngau Con	12
„ Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	7
„ Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-koek	100
„ Mutton Chop—Yeung Pui Kwat	15
„ Leg—Yeung Pei	24
„ Shoulder—Yeung Shau	20
„ Pigs' Chittlings—Chi cheong	24
„ Brains—Chi Know	2
„ Feet—Chi Kerk	12
„ Fry—Chi Chak	12
„ Head—Chi Tau	12
„ Heart—Chi Sum	9
„ Kidneys—Chi Yiu	8
„ Liver—Chi Kon	28
„ Pork Chop—Chi Pui Kwat	21
„ „ Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	22
„ Leg—Chu Pei	22
„ Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	10
„ Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau	6
„ Keok	6
„ Heart—Yeung Sum	6
„ Kidneys—Yeung Yiu	10
„ Liver—Yeung Con	24
„ Sucking Pig, To Order—Chu Chai	24
„ Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	16
„ Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau	24
„ Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk	20
„ Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong	20

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Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai	26
Ducks—Ap	25
Doves—Pan Kai	20
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	20
Fowls, Canton—Kai	32
„ Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	29
Geese—Ngo	18
Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye	18
„ Ngo	15
Musk Deer—Wong Keng	—
Hare—To Chai	—
Partridge—Che Khoo	65
Pheasant—Shan Kai	150
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup	35
„ Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kup	30
Quail—Um-Chu	17
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Chenk	—
Snipe—Sa Chui	25
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	60
„ Hen—„ Na	45
Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Suiap	—
Teal, Shanghai, Sui Ap Chai	50
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui Ap	90

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu	9
Bream—Bin Yu	12
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Bin Yu	14
Carp—Li Yu	17
Catfish—Chik Yu	11
Codfish—Mun Yu	24
Crabs—Hoi	20
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	12
Dab—Sa Mang Yu	14
Dace—Wong Mei Lun	10
Dog Fish—Tui Tu Sa	8
Eels, Congor—Hoi Man Yu	15
„ Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu	15
„ Yellow—Wong Sin	24
Frogs—Tien Kai	28
Garoupa—Sek Pan	48
Gudgeon—Pak Kup Yu	12
Herrings—Tso Pak	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu	24
Labrus—Weng Fa	16
Loach—Wu Yu	28
Lobsters—Lang, Ha	32
Mackerel—Chi Yu	12
Monk Fish—Mon Yu	24
Mullet—Chai Yu	20
Oysters—Sang Hoo	20
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu	15
Perch—Tau Loo	14
Pike—Fa Paw Poong	18
Plaice—Pan Yu	20
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chop	24
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	20
Prawn—Ming Hoi	48
Ray—Pai Pa Sa	9
Rock Fish—Sek Kau, Kung	14
Roach—Chau Yu	24
Salmon, (Crown), fresh water—Ma Yau Yu	—

Cents.

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Tench—Wan Yu	14
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Turtles, small, fresh water—Keok Yu	50
White Bait—Ngau Yu Chai	—

FRUITS.

Almond—Hung Yan	18
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping	—
„ (Choo)—Tin Chun Ping	—
„ Small—Hoi Tong	—
„ Custard—Fan Lai Chi	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Sang Sheng	—
„ Heung Chid	3
„ (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu	—
Chestnuts, Chinese—Fong Lul	10
Carambola—Yeung Ton	—
Cocconuts—Yeh Tsz	12
Grapes—Sin Tai Tsz	—
Lemons, China—Ning Moong	8
„ Amer.—Kam San Ning Moong	5
Lichees, Dried—Lai Chi Con	—
„ Fresh, Lai Chi	—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning	—
„ Moong	5
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Moong	20
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong	—
Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz	—
Oranges, (American)—Sang Sheng Tim	6
„ Chang	—
„ Small—Tai Kut	—
„ Mandarin—Tim Kut	—
Olives—Pak Lam	8
Passion Fruit	—
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li	—
„ (Canton), Cooking—Sa Li	—
„ (Shanghai)—Sheung Hoi Li	—
Peanuts—Fa Sang	10
Persimmons Large—Hung Chie	—
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„ Ti Paw-law	10
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Plums, Swatow—Hung Lai	—
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau	12
Walnuts, Hop Tou	12
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Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ah	8
Chi Chak	—
Beans, (French) Macao—Oh Moon Pin	10
„ Pin Tau	10
Beans, (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi	10
„ Beans, Sprout—Ah Choi	4
Beans Long—Tau Kok	3
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tau	2
Brinjals, Green—Cheng Yuen Ker	8
Brinjals, Red—Lung Ker	8
Brassica—Pak Choi	4
Bamboo Shoots—Chook Shun	3
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy	4
Cabbage Root—Kai Lan Tau	2
Cabbage, (Shanghai)—Yeh Choi	8
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kai Shun	—
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Choi	20
„ Fa	—
Cauliflower, Medium size—Cheung Yeh	15
„ Choi-fa	—
Cauliflower, Small size—Sai Yeh Choi-fa	12
Carrots—Kam Shun	6
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Choy	5
Celery, English—Yeung Kan Choy	5
Celery, White—Pak Yeung Kan Choy	—
Chilies Dried—Con Lat Chiu	20
„ Red—Hung Fa	20
„ Green—Cheng Lat Chiu	20
Curry Stuffs, English—Ka Lee Choi Liu	—
Cucumbers—Cheng Kwa	—
Ritter Squash—Fu Kwa	—
Garlic—Suen Tau	8
Ginger, young—Sun Tsz Keung	8
„ old—Lo Keung	7
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan	20
Indian Corn—Suk Mai	—
Lettuce—Yeung Sang Choi	2
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai	9
„ Mandarin—Kwei Lun Ma Tai	—
Musk Melon	—
Mushrooms Fresh—Sang Cho Kho	—
Onions, Bombay—Yeung Chung Tau	6
„ Green—Sang Chung	4
„ Shai—Sheung Hoi Chung Tau	6
„ Japan—Yat Poon	—
Okroes—Mo Ker	—
Parsley, English—Yeung Un Sai	20
Grass Pea	—
Green Peas—Cheng Tau	8
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu	2
„ Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Shu	—
„ Tsai	3
„ Japan—Yat Poon Shu Tsai	3
„ American—Fa Ki	—
„ Foochow—Fuk Chau Shu Tsai	3
„ Macao—Oh Moon	—
Pumpkin—Toong Kwa	2
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	3
Rhubarb	—
Shalots—Con Chung Tau	8
Spinage (Chinese)—Paw Choi	4
Spinach—Yin Choi	4
Tomatoes—Fan Ker	6
Taro—Wu Tau	5
Turnips, Pan-ti (Long)—Low Pak	3
„ English—Yeung Low Pak	3
Vegetable Marrow—Chi Kwa	—
Water Cresses—Sai Yeung Choi	5
„ Calrops—Lan Kok	—
„ Lily Roots—Lin Ngau	—
Yams—Tai Shu	—

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E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent, Hongkong, 26th February, 1907.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.		LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION, BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.			
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	100,000	£125	£125	{ £1,000,000 £11,000,000 £20,000 £12,735 £10,000 }	£1,721,558	{ £1.15/- and bonus of £1 @ 2 1/2% = £24.33 making \$40.80 for 1906	4 1/2 %	{ \$89 1/2 sellers London 2/108 1/2
National Bank of China, Limited	50,025	£7	£6	{ £1,000,000 £100,000 £100,000 £100,000 }	£74,099	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1905	...	\$50
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	£250	£50	{ £1,675,000 £200,000 }	£233,638	\$20 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$295 sellers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	{ £110,000 £100,000 £10,000 }	£185,529	{ Final of 7/6 making 15/- for year ended 30.6.1906	6 %	£18 1/2 sellers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	£250	£100	{ £2,000,000 £40,000 £11,137 £123,844 £169,279 £800,000 £61,278 £15,527 £1,000,000 £229,488 £2,616 }	£2,722,271	Interim div. of 3/- for 1905	5 %	£18 1/2 buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	£100	£60	{ £1,000,000 £1,000,00				